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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Jonnie R. WILLIAMS

Serial No. 09/397,018

Filed: September 15, 1999

For: IMPROVED METHOD OF TREATING
TOBACCO TO REDUCE NITROSAMINE
CONTENT, AND PRODUCTS PRODUCED
THEREBY

) Group Art Unit: 1731

) Examiner: Ruller, J.

) Atty. Dkt. No.: 04859.84703

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TC 1700 MAIL ROOM**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**The Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to his duty of good faith and candor as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, *et seq.*, Applicant submits herewith the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the documents listed thereon are available to the Examiner in parent application 08/998,043 and are not being submitted at this time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d). It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider the documents in connection with examination of the above-captioned application. It is believed that no fee is due for this submission pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). However, if a fee is deemed necessary, the Commissioner is authorized to debit our Deposit Account 19-0733 as appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: April 19, 2000

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